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## WREATH PLACED BY MASONS AT MT. VERNON

Addresses By Deputy Grand  
Master Callahan And  
Supt. Dodge.

### BANQUET LAST NIGHT

Bible Of Fredericksburg Lodge Used  
When Washington Was Made A  
Mason Brought Here Last Night  
For Ceremony.

A handsome memorial wreath to-day was placed on Washington's tomb at Mount Vernon by the delegation of thirty members of George Washington Lodge of Masons of St. Louis, headed by Bert M. Lee, grand master of Masons in Missouri. Interesting addresses were made by Charles H. Callahan, deputy grand master of Masons in Virginia, and H. H. Dodge, superintendent of Mount Vernon. Accompanying members of Alexandria-Washington Lodge headed by P. E. Clift, worshipful master. Afterward the Missourians were guests at luncheon at the cafe at Mount Vernon. From Mount Vernon they motored to historic Pohick Church and later visited Arlington and Fort Myer.

Tonight the Missourians will be guests of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia and a number of Alexandria Masons have planned to attend. The party this morning before motoring from Washington to the work being done in connection with the erection of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Temple.

A dinner was tendered the visitors at 6 o'clock last night in the auditorium of the chamber of commerce which was attended by 225 Masons. Music was furnished by Minister's Band of Washington.

Councilman E. F. Ticer made an address of welcome on behalf of the city in the absence of Mayor W. A. Smoot and Capt. George H. Evans, business manager of the chamber of commerce, who were unable to attend on behalf of that organization.

The Master Mason degree was conferred on a candidate from St. Louis afterward in the lodge room of Alexandria-Washington Lodge. The Bible used in the ceremony was brought from Fredericksburg for the occasion by Worshipful Master Franklin Stearns, of Fredericksburg Lodge No. 4, it being the same Bible used when George Washington was made a Mason by that lodge.

During the evening the visitors were welcomed on behalf of the grand lodge of the state by Charles H. Callahan, this city, deputy grand master of Masons in Virginia, in the absence of Grand Master James H. Price. Others who made addresses were C. C. Combs, grand master of Masons in the District of Columbia; Bert S. Lee, grand master of George Washington Lodge of St. Louis, and Franklin Stearns, worshipful master of Fredericksburg Lodge of Fredericksburg, Va.

The dinner in the auditorium of the chamber of commerce was served by the women of Martha Washington Chapter No. 42, Eastern Star, who were attired in colonial costumes. Owing to the limited space of the lodge room many Masons who came late were turned away, the lodge room being packed to its capacity. The visitors plan to leave for St. Louis tomorrow afternoon.

### To Investigate A Report Of K. K. K. In Capitol

(By United Press.)  
Washington, D. C., Nov. 24.—A congressional investigation into reports that the Ku Klux Klan recently initiated a prominent government official in the capitol building will be demanded by Representative Rainey, Ill.

Reports to that effect were published here today in a special dispatch from Atlanta, and Rainey has prepared and introduced a resolution of inquiry. Elliott Woods, superintendent of the capitol, today denied the report.

### T. P. A. Banquet Tonight

All is in readiness for the banquet which will be given at 7:30 o'clock tonight in the Westminster building by Post F. Travelers Protective Association in honor of Henry B. Ramey, Champagne, Ill., national president of the order.

It is expected that 200 members of the order and their friends will attend. The committee in charge is composed of C. T. Nicholson, chairman; J. H. Trimyer, J. Y. Williams, Alfred Thomson, R. E. Knight, J. William May will be toastmaster and the speakers heretofore announced in the Gazette will respond to toasts.

### Bible Thought for Today

WATCH: — What I say  
unto you say unto all.  
Watch.—Mark 13:37.

## Championship Game Is Here Tomorrow

A. H. S. vs. Charlottesville For  
Honors Of North Virginia—  
Winner In Line For State.

Having made practically a clean sweep of its opposition in this section of the state, the football team of Alexandria High School will play the team of Charlottesville on Baggett's field tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock to settle the championship of the northern half of the state. This game is played under the direction of the athletic council of the University of Virginia. The winner will play the winner of the southern half for the championship honors of the entire state.

Alexandria has piled up a total score of 189 points against its opponents 20 during the scheduled season and has only met defeat once and then it was at the hands of the Business High School team of Washington.

According to best information the team will meet on a nearly equal basis; Alexandria exceeding in speed and the Charlottesville boys having had advantage of University coaching.

Thousands are expected to see the game here, as this is the first of the fall big games that has ever been brought to the city. Business men and various organizations have displayed a good deal of interest and promise to be on hand in large numbers.

### Mayor Hylan Brings War On Ku Klux Klan

(By United Press.)  
NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—War on the Ku Klux Klan by New York police until the last Klansman has been driven from the city, was ordered today by Mayor John F. Hylan.

Despite the order, received by police commissioner Knight in a telegram from French Lick Springs and communicated to various branches of the force here, public headquarters of the Ku Klux Klan were opened at the Hotel Hermitage.

Rev. Dr. Oscar Haywood, evangelist of Dr. John Roach Straton's Calvary Baptist Church, is in charge, and announced defiance of Mayor Hylan's orders. Haywood declared he would go to jail if necessary but that Klan headquarters would remain open and recruiting continue.

## BANKERS MAKE PLEA FOR A LOWER TAX

Claim Rate Of 85 Cents On  
\$100 Is Discrimi-  
natory.

WILLING TO PAY 30c

Council Takes Matter Under Ad-  
visement And Will Confer With  
Corporation Attorney Before Giving  
Its Decision.

The three national banks of the city are opposed to the payment of the tax of eighty-five cents on the \$100 as prescribed by the old city council, but are willing to pay a tax of thirty cents on the \$100 valuation according to an announcement made to the city council by the attorneys for the banks at a meeting of city council which was held yesterday afternoon. Council took the matter under advisement and will confer with Corporation Attorney H. Noel Garner before announcing its decision.

It was contended by Attorney Gardner L. Boothe, president of the First National Bank, that council could not make a discriminatory tax and no cited parallel cases decided by the United States Supreme Court in the case of a Richmond bank in which that bank won out before the highest court of the land.

There are, he said, several bills now pending in Congress which will allow cities to impose tax on bank stocks one of which provides that the tax on bank stocks shall not exceed the tax imposed on state banks. He contended they can only tax it the same as other stocks are taxed.

Attorney John M. Johnson, on behalf of the Citizens' National Bank, quoted the decision referred to by Mr. Boothe.

Carroll Pierce, vice president of the Citizens' National Bank, told of compromises made with the city during the past two years on the same matter.

Judge C. E. Nicol, president of the Alexandria National Bank, told of a letter received from a Richmond banker in which the banker said there was no difference between his own case which had been decided upon favorably by the United States Supreme Court and the case of the banks of this city. Judge Nicol said he did not think a tax of more than thirty cents on the \$100 was lawful.

Councilman Ticer stated that if the thirty-cent rate is put into operation it will mean a loss to the city of \$5,822. The meeting was presided over by Mayor Smoot.

## DEMONSTRATION TO CELEBRATE WHITE WAY

Committees Of Chamber Of  
Commerce To Arrange  
Program.

### TO MAKE GALA AFFAIR

Time For Turning On Light Not Yet  
Determined Upon—White Way  
Soon To Be Completed—Name  
Postal Committee For Richmond.

The turning on of the lights of Alexandria's white way now nearing completion will be marked by a big celebration the character of which will be determined upon shortly by a committee composed of members of the board of directors of the chamber of commerce and a special committee from the retail merchant's bureau. This committee also will fix upon a date for the event. This action was determined upon by the executive committee of the board of directors of the chamber of commerce at a meeting held yesterday afternoon.

While no definite plans as to the nature of the celebration have yet been determined upon it is proposed to have a big demonstration and make the affair a gala one for both young and old.

The white way extends on King st. from Fairfax to Patrick streets a distance of seven squares.

The committee from the chamber of commerce composed of directors follows: R. E. Knight, Kenneth W. Ogden, C. Page Waller, John H. Trimyer, B. Weil and J. William May.

The committee from the retail merchant's association is composed of A. W. Downham, Irvin Diener, Harry Cohen, Frank Michaelbach, R. P. Downham and J. Kent White.

A special committee composed of Carroll Pierce, George E. Warfield and C. T. Nicholson was named by President Knight for the purpose of attending the state conference of postal employees which will be held in Richmond December 5. It is expected that one of the three named will attend.

### Pastor To Take Charge Dec. 7th

Rev. E. M. Delaney Of Lynchburg  
Church To Become Pastor Of  
Second Presbyterian Here.

Rev. E. M. Delaney, for six and one half years pastor of the Rivermont Presbyterian Church, Lynchburg, Va., who recently accepted a call to the pastorate of the Second Presbyterian Church of this city, will preach his first sermon as pastor of that church Sunday December 17.

According to a news dispatch from Lynchburg regret over his impending departure from Lynchburg is not confined to his own congregation. In the Rivermont Presbyterian Church the regret is pronouncedly unanimous.

It is by a coincidence that Rev. Mr. Delaney will be the second pastor the Rivermont church has given to Alexandria congregations, for Rev. J. H. Sevier, now of Augusta, Ga., resigned his Lynchburg charge about twelve years ago to accept the pastorate of the Second Presbyterian Church in this city. A further coincidence is seen in the fact that Rev. Mr. Delaney will be the third native of Bristol to be pastor of the Alexandria church and the fifth alumnus of King's College to occupy that position.

An illustration of the work accomplished by the Rivermont Church under the pastorate of Rev. Mr. Delaney is seen in the fact that since he became pastor the membership of that church has doubled and the offerings of the congregation have increased 500 per cent.

Rev. Mr. Delaney has held this one pastorate having come to Lynchburg after graduating from the non Theological Seminary. During his stay in Lynchburg, he has acted as moderator and clerk of the Montgomery presbytery. At one time he was secretary of the Lynchburg ministerial union and during the Billy Sunday campaign and the working leading up to that he was chairman of the general meeting committee which gave him the cottage meetings which gave him an executive position during the progress of the campaign.

The Rivermont congregation, it is understood, will make no further effort to dissuade Mr. Delaney from his determination to go to Alexandria, but a strenuous effort was made from the time it was learned that he had the call up to the announcement of his resignation to bring this about.

The congregation at the time of Mr. Delaney was in Alexandria met and adopted a resolution urging him to remain here, among the inducements offered to hold him being a material increase in salary.

The woman's auxiliary and the Christian Endeavor Society also adopted resolutions strongly urging the pastor not to resign.

## President After His Votes Again

Calls "Key Men" To White House  
And Urges Passage Of Ship  
Subsidy Measure.

(By Isaac Gregg.)  
Washington, Nov. 24.—For the second time since he has been in the White House, President Harding is cracking the whip over the heads of members of Congress.

The first occasion was when he wanted votes to sustain his veto of the bonus bill in September. On this occasion it is because he fervently desires to pass the ship subsidy bill through the House that he is urging the old "ring leader" tactics.

In the last few days, President Harding has been calling in various members of the House, usually "key men" in the state delegations, and putting up to them profound arguments why they should support the subsidy bill. Some of his conferences with members have been described as being in the nature of "spankings" for the Republicans who show a disposition to desert him on the shipping issue.

One member from a western state who saw President Harding this week emerged from the Chief Executive's room with a statement that he had been discussing agricultural legislation.

"If I had told the truth," said this member later, "I would have said that I had just been receiving a good spanking. The President took me down the line for refusing to support the subsidy bill and wanted to know what the country would think if Republican members, fearing the loss of a few votes, in their districts, should desert him and permit the shipping bill to fail."

"I told the President," said this member, "that it was all very well for him to say this, because he didn't have to run in my district."

This member of the House described the President's argument for the shipping bill as an excellent one.

"He showed an intimate knowledge of his subject and had I been neutral I could not have failed to have been won to support of the bill. But my district doesn't want a subsidy bill and I know it. Therefore, I was not neutral."

The business of cracking the whip and of attempting to force a recalcitrant Republican majority into line is something new to President Harding and the belief is here that now he has started the practice, he will, during the next two years, resort to such methods much more frequently.

Going into the White House with a preconceived notion of the supremacy of Congress in the American government, the President from the outset adopted the policy of letting Congress do what it chose. He had had enough, he thought, of Executive interference in the legislative branch of the nation and believes that he could keep hands off and allow Congress to do its own bidding. But he has found to his sorrow that conditions are entirely different and that he has been compelled to enter into the fray if any of his past measures are to be enacted into law before the expiration of the present Sixty-seventh Congress.

Appointment of Furnifold N. Simmons, Senator from North Carolina, to be minority leader of the Senate was believed to have been forecast by the action of the Democratic Senatorial caucus in naming Senator Simmons to lead the fight against the \$5,000,000 Liberian loan bill which now carries the McNary \$20,000,000 reclamation scheme.

Senator Simmons will be the oldest Democrat in point of service in the Senate Democrats in their caucus mentioned for minority leader when Senator Oscar Underwood, of Alabama, was elected in this Congress. Senator Underwood recently announced his intention to resign because of poor health, but his resignation has not been formally accepted.

Senate Democrats in their caucus also discussed the ship subsidy measure but came to no conclusion about it since it will not be before the Senate for some time. It is taken for granted on Capitol Hill that they will join with radical Republicans in a filibuster on the measure to force the calling of an extra session of Congress after March 4, next.

### GRADUATE IN HAY INSPECTION

Diplomas, signed by the secretary of agriculture, authorizing them to inspect and certify to the grade and quality of hay were issued today by five graduates in this city by the Hay Standardization Laboratory. Bureau of Agriculture Economics.

The graduates are as follows: H. H. Whiteside, Chicago; S. N. Swarth, South, Auburn, N. Y.; W. S. Green, Richmond, Va.; Richard J. O'Brien, New York City; P. R. Dunn, Boston, Mass.

There are two more students now at this laboratory which is located at the corner of Prince and Strand. This is the first time in the history of the United States that such a school has been organized and Alexandria, therefore, enjoys the distinction of being the only city in the United States where such a school is in existence. These men will co-operate with the government in the inspection of hay, and will be located at the important hay centers in the United States.

## DEATH CLAIMS JAMES NOURSE AT AGE OF 82

Retired From Ministry Five  
Years Ago Owing To  
Advanced Age.

### WELL-KNOWN HERE

Deceased At One Time Was Pastor  
Of The First Presbyterian Church  
Here—End Comes At Westminster,  
Md.—Funeral 2 P. M. Sunday.

Rev. James Michael Nourse, a retired Presbyterian minister, died suddenly yesterday afternoon at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. J. E. Myers, Westminster, Md., at the age of eighty-two years.

His funeral will take place at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon in Westminster, Md., and a delegation of members of Alexandria-Washington Lodge of Masons of this city, of which he was chaplain, will attend.

Five years ago owing to the infirmities incident to his advanced years, Rev. Nourse retired from active participation in ministerial affairs, his last charge being at Vienna, Va. In former years he was pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, this city. He spent part of time in this city with his daughter, Mrs. Hattie N. Brockett, and his daughter Mrs. J. E. Myers, Westminster, Md. Clarence Nourse, Manassas, Va., and J. Frank Myers, Buffalo, N. Y.

Rev. Dr. Nourse was a son of the late James Nourse of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Sarah North, German town, Pa. He graduated from Lafayette College, Easton, Md., in 1862 and from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1865. He married Miss Sarah France Blackman, in 1865, who died about five years ago.

Rev. Mr. Nourse, chaplain of the Sons of the American Revolution, member of Alexandria-Washington Lodge of Masons No. 22, Mount Vernon Chapter No. 14, Royal Arch Masons and chaplain of the Masonic lodge at Westminster. He enjoyed a wide circle of friends both here and in Washington who will regret to hear of his death.

## Regard "Tiger" With Disfavor

Official Washington Does Not, In  
General, Like Attitude Taken  
By Georges Clemenceau.

Washington, Nov. 24.—The American Government regards with distinct disfavor the views being expressed here concerning foreign policies of the United States, by Georges Clemenceau, the War Premier of France.

This was the answer given the United Press by a highly authoritative source in response to an inquiry as to whether those in direct charge of America's foreign relations agreed in the main with the sharp attacks by Senators Borah and Hitchcock on the noted Frenchman's statements.

It is the view of this government that the French policy which Clemenceau defends is largely responsible for the present economic and political plight of Europe. While France continues to maintain an attitude of unbending repression against Germany, it is felt in Washington that the German reparations question is the root of the trouble in Europe, and that France holds the key to this problem.

The general trend of the Tiger's speeches here is that the United States should again take its side by the former allies of the war and help bring about peace in Europe, while at the same time in conjunction with England giving guarantees to France against German aggression.

The United States Government, however, is intent on not allowing itself to become involved in the controversy over the views of Clemenceau, and it is known that Secretary of State Hughes will carefully avoid making any direct or indirect reference to the question.

While Hughes undoubtedly has his opinions about the speeches of the 81-year old French statesman, since he has been given to understand that Clemenceau is here without any official connection whatsoever, the Secretary is understood to feel that for him or the State Department to become involved in any way in what the Tiger says would be only to prejudice the efficiency of his office at this time especially since consideration has been given recently to what practicable steps the United States could take to aid the situation in Europe.

### Bill To Straighten Senators Salaries Drawn

Washington, D. C., Nov. 24.—A bill to straighten out the tangle concerning salaries of senators—caused by appointment of Mrs. Rebecca Felton, first woman senator, for a day—was introduced by Senator Curtis, republican of Kansas today.

## Hold Meeting In Interest of Safety

Employees Of Washington-Va. Co.  
Admonished To Make Every  
Week Absolutely Safe.

The Safety Council, organized among the employees of the Washington-Virginia Railway Company, held a regular meeting last night in the Young People's Building and heard several speakers on the subject of making every week a safety week. The direct purpose of the meeting last night, however, was to prepare for a special course of intensive instruction to the general public on safety during the national "Safety Week" which is to be observed November 26 to December 6.

This organization which has only recently been effected has as its members all employees of the company and in attendance last night there were all employees of duty. It is the purpose of the meetings to bring to an absolute minimum the number of accidents in connection with the operation of trains over the company's road.

Among the speakers at the meeting were C. W. Price of the National Safety Council with headquarters in Washington; Harry Keyser, claims attorney of the Washington Railway and Electric Company; Gardner L. Boothe, attorney for the Washington Virginia Company and M. G. Stratton, general manager of that company.

All the speakers stressed the need of co-operation in prevention of accidents both from the stand point of the one injured and from the stand point of the company. They urged that the men operating cars be sure of their every move.

Harrison Enhardt, auditor of the company, is secretary of the council and T. H. Travers, claims agent is chairman. Meetings will be held in the future at regular two week intervals in this city on Thursday nights.

### Pay Visit To Mt. Vernon Council

State Councilor Mrs. M. D. Belote of Norfolk and Mrs. Naomi Swann, junior past national councilor of Washington, D. C., paid a visit to Mt. Vernon Council No. 1, Daughters of America, last night. During the evening the visiting officers and a number of others made addresses and they were introduced by Mrs. James H. Mansfield, this city, who is past state councilor. At the conclusion of the meeting refreshments were served.

## SHIP SUBSIDY FIGHT LIVENED BY NEW CHARGE

Say "Rich Interests" Would  
Be Chief Beneficiaries  
Of Bill.

### LOWER INCOME TAX

To Companies Operating Own Ships,  
Bill Alone Would Be Beneficial,  
Say Opponents—Cuts Off Millions  
In Taxes.

(By United Press.)  
Washington, Nov. 24.—Charges that the Standard Oil Co., United States Steel Corporation, the big meat packers and other "rich interests" would be the principal beneficiaries under the administration ship subsidy bill, enlivened discussion of the measure in the House today.

Subsidy opponents marshalled data for use in debate which they claimed would show that big interests, under the subsidy, would be given exemptions in their income taxes totaling millions of dollars a year. This contention is based on the provision which would allow shippers to deduct from their income statements five per cent of their gross shipping receipts.

Many big corporations which own their own ships, it was declared, "would get the subsidy coming and going."

Rep. Davis, of Tenn., directing the fight against the bill, was to speak today, outlining in detail the democratic argument that the subsidy bill as drafted, would bestow favors on a few and pave the way for a giant monopoly of American shipping in the hands of two or three big concerns on each coast.

Interest attached today to the announcement from democratic anti-subsidy leaders, Walsh of Mass., in the Senate, and Bankhead, Louisiana, in the House—that the democrats would immediately come forward with a merchant marine plan of their own in event the subsidy measure advanced by President Harding is defeated.

It was understood that the plan the democrats have in mind, agreed to by the party in general caucus, contemplated strict government operation of the 1,500 steel boats owned by the government, 1,100 of which are lying idle. The scheme would include scrapping of the United States Shipping Board.

## PROGRESSIVE SENATORS MAY FIGHT BUTLER

Confirmation Of Minnesota  
Democrat May Be Fought  
In Senate.

### NOT WELL KNOWN

Labor Forces Are Careful Of Selection  
After Coronado Decision—Are  
Making Careful Inspection Of Qualifications.

(By United Press.)  
Washington, Nov. 24.—President Harding's appointment of Pierce Butler, St. Paul lawyer, to the United States Supreme Court is unacceptable to some progressive senators.

Whether these senators will actively oppose Butler's confirmation depends somewhat on what they learn in inquiries begun today concerning Butler's qualifications for the post and his "island" economic and other public questions.

Little is known of Butler here beyond the fact that he has been at various times counsel for railroads and other public utilities, and that he has had much experience in the legal and financial sides of public utility work.

The mere fact that he was once counsel for a big northwestern railroad is enough to cause some of the ultra progressives to regard his appointment with some disfavor. But so little is known of him among senators that fairness dictated that some thing more be learned than the mere fact that Butler has represented a railroad or a street car company in litigation, or has acted as a member of public utility valuation boards.

Butler's appointment however, will be subject to closer scrutiny than the nomination of some better known man would have been, because those senators who are friendly to organized labor have been pledged for a long time to withhold their approval from any appointments to the court that appeared likely to make it more conservative, or in any degree less friendly to labor.

Ever since the Coronado decision some months ago, which Labor regarded as a heavy blow at its right to organize, the A. F. of L. and its friends in Congress have been preparing to combat any appointment to the bench that did not pass their test.

This was part of the program for liberalizing the Supreme Court which the Federation adopted at its convention in Cincinnati this year. La Follette, leader of the progressive group, addressed that convention in criticism of the Coronado decision and of the court's general attitude on labor questions. He also presented a legislative program to liberalize the court, the chief item of which was a constitutional amendment making court decisions subject to veto by congress. Nothing has yet been done about that proposal, but La Follette said he would press it when the opportunity was favorable. It will be a part of the new progressive program in the next congress.

## Richmond Fire Costs \$275,000

Richmond, Va., Nov. 24.—Damage to the extent of \$275,000 resulted from fire that yesterday afternoon wrecked the three-story brick building at 213 East Broad street, occupied by the Corley Company, Inc., and completely destroyed the immense stock of pianos, organs, phonographs and other instruments. The value of the stock is estimated at \$175,000; the Grace Street half of the structure, which was erected by the Corley Company, at \$75,000, and it is said that it will cost fully \$25,000 to repair the Broad Street half, owned by the Allison estate. The entire loss, it is stated, is covered by insurance.

### BARON SONO DIES

Rome, Nov. 24.—Baron Sonio, former premier of Italy, died early today.

### "HOME NIGHT"

The services of the First Baptist Church last night were very satisfactory in many ways. Dr. Vines talked informally about "Blacksliding" and intimated that the slow progress of the Kingdom of God on earth could be traced to this type of Christians. Prayers were offered by the Rev. Dr. Hamill and Carpenter.

This evening will witness the discussion of a special topic "Home Sweet Home" for all members of the family, and all the songs will contain the word "Home." The teachers of the Sunday School are requested specially to be present tonight in order to consult about their scholars. There will be no services on Saturday, but the meetings will continue Sunday. It is hoped Dr. Vines may remain over Sunday.